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Patent No.: 6,817,377 Inventor(s): Reimer et al. Issued: Nov. 16, 2004

For : PROCESSING APPARATUS HAVING INTEGRATED PUMPING SYSTEM

Re: Request for Certificate of Correction

Consideration has been given your request for the issuance of a certificate of correction for the above-identified patent under the provisions of Rule 1.322.

A petition under C.F.R. 1.182 is required to correct the alleged errors in incorrect inventor's name or order of inventor's names, since inventors' names are printed solely in accordance with the typed/printed names (not the signatures), and since non-initialed and non-dated changes are not taken into consideration. Therefore, no correction is in order here under the provisions of Rule 1.322 or 1.323 (required fee currently \$100), unless a petition is granted (See M.P.E.P. 605.04(b). In view of the foregoing, your request is hereby denied.

In view of the foregoing, your request is hereby denied.

Any petition under 37 CFR 1.182 should be directed to the attention of the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, using the following mailing address or FAX number.

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If the petition under 37 CFR 1.183 (required fee currently \$130), is filed and granted, the patentee would be entitled to a certificate of correction under 37 CFR 1.323 (required fee currently \$100, if not previously submitted), due to the mistake in not complying with CFR 3.81; and if it is requested in the "Petition", that the file be forwarded to Certificates of Correction Branch, for issuance of a Certificates of Correction.

Therefore, being no fault on the part of the Patent and Trademark Office, no correction(s) is in order here under United States Codes (U.S.C.) 254 or 255 and the Code of Federal Regulation (C.F.R.) 1.322 or 1.323).

In view of the foregoing, your request in this matter is hereby denied.

Further consideration will be given in *this matter*, upon receipt of a Petition with the appropriate \$130.00 fee, and the appropriate \$100.00 fee for the Request for Certificate of Correction already submitted.



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